s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v21)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 702, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{20}{27}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S \ = \ 702 + 681.25 + 661.1 + 641.56 + 622.59 + 604.19 + 586.32 + 568.99 + 552.17 + 535.84$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \; = \; 681.25 + 661.1 + 641.56 + 622.59 + 604.19 + 586.32 + 568.99 + 552.17 + 535.84 + 520$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 2 + 2(8) + 2(8)^{2} + 2(8)^{3} + \dots + 2(8)^{47} + 2(8)^{48} + 2(8)^{49} + 2(8)^{50}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.